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As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## SEALING GAPS BETWEEN FLOOR BOARDS

the specification of which: (check one)

is attached.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
under Attorney's Docket Number \_\_\_\_\_  
as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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and was amended under PCT Article 19  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s): <u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>(Day/Month/Year)</u>	<u>Priority Claimed (yes/no)</u>
0220144.0	United Kingdom	29th August 2002	YES

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None

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